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THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 2007
(STATEWIDE SESSION)

Thursday, March 1, 2007
(Statewide Session)

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The House assembled at 10:00 a.m.

Deliberations were opened with prayer by Rev. Charles E. Seastrunk, Jr., as follows:

Our thought for today is from Ecclesiastes 2:24: "A man can do nothing better than to eat and drink and find satisfaction in his work. This too, I see, is from God."

Let us pray. O God, we call upon You to give us the tools to carry our work forward to Your satisfaction and ours. Provide us with the understanding that putting our trust in You brings results that satisfy the soul. For each here give Your blessings and comfort in the work we do together, that it may be for the betterment of our State. Bless our Nation, President, State, Governor, Speaker and all who labor in government. Protect our defenders of freedom as they protect us. In the name of our Lord. Amen.

Pursuant to Rule 6.3, the House of Representatives was led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America by the SPEAKER.

After corrections to the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday, the SPEAKER ordered it confirmed.

MOTION ADOPTED

Rep. BANNISTER moved that when the House adjourns, it adjourn in memory of Vardry Ramseur of Greenville, which was agreed to.

INVITATIONS

On motion of Rep. LEACH, with unanimous consent, the following were taken up for immediate consideration and accepted:

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the SC State Firefighters' Association, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a dinner. This event will be held on Tuesday, April 10, 2007, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center.

Sincerely,
Chief Joe Palmer
President

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the SC Medical Equipment Services Association, the Members and staff of the House of Representatives are invited to a Beaufort Stew. This event will be held on Tuesday, April 10, 2007, from 8:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. at the Clarion Townhouse Hotel.

Sincerely,
Bobby E. Horton
Executive Director

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the SC Prayer Fellowship, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to the SC State Prayer Breakfast. This event will be held on Wednesday, April 11, 2007, at 7:30 a.m. at the Radisson Hotel.

Sincerely,
C. Tommy Young
Chairman

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January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the SC Tobacco Collaborative, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a breakfast. This event will be held on Wednesday, April 11, 2007, from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. in Room 208 of the Blatt Building.

Sincerely,
Renee Martin
Executive Director

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. of North and South Carolina, the Members and staff of the House of Representatives are invited to Omega Day Breakfast. This event will be held upon adjournment on Wednesday, April 11, 2007, in Room 208 of the Blatt Building.

Sincerely,
Rep. Floyd Breeland

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the Greater Sumter Chamber of Commerce, the Members and staff of the House of Representatives are invited to a reception. This

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event will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 11, 2007, at City Art located at 1224 Lincoln Street in the Vista.

Sincerely,
Nicole Norris
Immediate Past Chair

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the SC World Trade Center, the Members and staff of the House of Representatives are invited to a reception. This event will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 11, 2007, at the Capital City Club.

Sincerely,
Margaret H. Rush
Board of Directors

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the SC Home Educators' Association, the Members and staff of the House of Representatives are invited to a breakfast. This event will be held from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 11, 2007, in Room 208 of the Blatt Building.

Sincerely,
Greta Clinton
Board Member

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.

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Chairman, House Invitations Committee
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Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the Citadel Alumni Association, the Members, spouses and attaches of the House of Representatives are invited to a Barbecue. This event will be held from 6:30 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 17, 2007, at the Canteen Building located at the State Fair Grounds.

Sincerely,
Wallace I. West
Assistant Director

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a breakfast. This event will be held from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 11, 2007, in Room 208 of the Blatt Building.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Devetta Williams Hughes
Connection Coordinator

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the SC Student Legislature, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a breakfast. This event will be held from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 11, 2007, on the State House Grounds.

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Sincerely,
Jim Sproat
Legislative Liaison

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
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Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the Spartanburg Area Chamber of Commerce, the Members and staff of the House of Representatives are invited to a luncheon. This event will be held from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 18, 2007, on the State House Grounds.

Sincerely,
Lee A. Blair
Executive Vice President

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the SC Junior Golf Foundation, the Members and staff of the House of Representatives are invited to a reception. This event will be held on Wednesday, April 18, 2007, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Willy's and The Blue Marlin.

Sincerely,
Tim Kreger
Director of Development

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
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Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of SC Partners in Crisis, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a breakfast. This event will be held from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 19, 2007, in Room 208 of the Blatt Building.

Sincerely,
Gretchen M. M. Smith
Executive Director

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the SC Plastics Industry and the Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc., the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a reception. This event will be held on Tuesday, April 24, 2007, from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at the Capital City Club.

Sincerely,
Pamela Rastatter, Manager

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the SC Association of Municipal Power Systems, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a reception. This event will be held on Tuesday, April 24, 2007, from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at the Clarion Townhouse Hotel.

Sincerely,
Miriam Hair
Deputy Executive Director

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January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
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Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of Spartanburg Housing Authority, the Members and staff of the House of Representatives are invited to a breakfast. This event will be held from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, in Room 208 of the Blatt Building.

Sincerely,
Roy Johnson
Executive Director

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the SC Trucking Association, Inc. the Members and staff of the House of Representatives are invited to a luncheon. This event will be held upon adjournment on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, on the State House Grounds.

Sincerely,
Taryn Shekitka
Director of Communications and Events

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the SC Association of Nonprofit Organizations, the Members of the House of Representatives are invited to a dinner. This

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event will be held from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at the Marriott Hotel.

Sincerely,
Mason Hardy
Executive Director

January 2, 2007,
The Honorable Robert W. Leach, Sr.
Chairman, House Invitations Committee
503-A Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Chairman Leach:

On behalf of the SC Speech-Language-Hearing Association, the Members and staff of the House of Representatives are invited to a breakfast. This event will be held from 8:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 26, 2007, in Room 208 of the Blatt Building.

Sincerely,
Celeste Blackmon, President
Jane Senn, VP Governmental Affairs

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 3610 -- Rep. G. Brown: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE AND EXTEND VERY BEST WISHES TO MRS. LEILA ANDERSON CORBETT UPON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT AFTER SIXTY-TWO YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO GINSBERG'S LADIES SHOPPE IN BISHOPVILLE.

The Resolution was adopted.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

The Senate sent to the House the following:

S. 507 -- Senators Knotts, Alexander, Anderson, Bryant, Campsen, Cleary, Courson, Cromer, Drummond, Elliott, Fair, Ford, Gregory, Grooms, Hawkins, Hayes, Hutto, Jackson, Land, Leatherman, Leventis, Lourie, Malloy, Martin, Matthews, McConnell, McGill,

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Mescher, Moore, O'Dell, Patterson, Peeler, Pinckney, Rankin, Reese, Ritchie, Ryberg, Scott, Setzler, Sheheen, Short, Thomas, Vaughn, Verdin and Williams: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO FACILITATE THE CHANGE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE RULE OR POLICY NECESSARY TO PROVIDE FOR PAID TRANSPORTATION FOR THE 218TH BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM AND FOR OTHER SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL GUARDSMEN HOME TO SOUTH CAROLINA AND BACK TO THEIR TRAINING SITES BEFORE THEIR DEPARTURES TO A COMBAT ZONE.

The Concurrent Resolution was ordered referred to the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills were introduced, read the first time, and referred to appropriate committees:

H. 3611 -- Reps. Bedingfield, Cooper, Davenport, Duncan, Limehouse, Loftis, Mulvaney, Phillips, Pinson, M. A. Pitts and G. R. Smith: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 1-1-616 SO AS TO DESIGNATE MAY IN EVERY YEAR AS CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL MONTH.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 3612 -- Reps. Rutherford and Clyburn: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 44-1-285 SO AS TO ENACT THE "HEALTHY SOUTH CAROLINIANS 2010 ACT" AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL SHALL DEVELOP AND PROMOTE HEALTHY SOUTH CAROLINIANS 2010 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES, USING THE FEDERAL HEALTHY PEOPLE 2010 AS A MODEL; TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT ANNUALLY TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE STATUS OF DISPARITIES IN HEALTH AMONG MINORITIES AND NONMINORITIES; TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT SHALL WORK WITH MINORITY PHYSICIAN NETWORKS TO DEVELOP PROGRAMS TO EDUCATE HEALTH CARE

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PROFESSIONALS ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF CULTURE IN HEALTH STATUS; TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT SHALL WORK WITH HEALTH ORGANIZATIONS TO INCREASE THE PROPORTION OF HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS FROM MINORITY BACKGROUNDS; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROMOTE RESEARCH ON METHODS TO REDUCE DISPARITIES IN HEALTH CARE; AND TO ADD SECTION 44-6-225 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SHALL CONTRACT WITH MINORITY PHYSICIAN NETWORKS TO PROVIDE COST-EFFECTIVE MEDICAID SERVICES; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT SHALL WORK TO EXPAND MINORITY PHYSICIAN NETWORKS IN EACH HEALTH DISTRICT.

Referred to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs

H. 3613 -- Rep. Taylor: A BILL TO AMEND ACT 779 OF 1988, RELATING TO THE BOARDS OF TRUSTEES OF LAURENS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS 55 AND 56, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PERSONS DESIRING TO BECOME CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION TO THE BOARDS SHALL FILE A STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY RATHER THAN A PETITION, TO REVISE THE DATE BY WHICH THE STATEMENTS OF CANDIDACY MUST BE FILED, AND TO PROVIDE THAT IF A CANDIDATE IS UNOPPOSED, HE IS DEEMED ELECTED UNDER SPECIFIED CONDITIONS AND PROCEDURES.

On motion of Rep. TAYLOR, with unanimous consent, the Bill was ordered placed on the Calendar without reference.

H. 3614 -- Reps. M. A. Pitts, Bales, Bedingfield, Brantley, Clyburn, Dantzler, Herbkersman, Jefferson, Jennings, Kelly, Littlejohn, Mahaffey, Mulvaney, Neilson, Perry, E. H. Pitts, G. R. Smith, Stavrinakis, Umphlett and Whipper: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 50-9-740, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENTS FOR YOUTH HUNTING DAYS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON WHO IS LESS THAN EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE MAY BE A YOUTH HUNTER.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs

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H. 3615 -- Reps. G. R. Smith, Harrell, Merrill, Bedingfield, Haley, Bingham, Bowen, Cato, Duncan, Edge, Gambrell, Hamilton, Harrison, Haskins, Littlejohn, Lowe, Shoopman, G. M. Smith, J. R. Smith, W. D. Smith, Stewart and Talley: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIRNESS ACT" BY ADDING SECTION 6-1-317 IMPOSING A LIMIT ON ANNUAL SPENDING INCREASES FOR OPERATING PURPOSES FOR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS EQUAL TO ANNUAL INCREASES IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX AND THE JURISDICTION'S POPULATION AND TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS; AND TO AMEND SECTIONS 11-11-155 AND 11-11-156, RELATING TO THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FUND AND REIMBURSEMENTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS THEREFROM, SO AS TO ROLLBACK BY ONE YEAR THE BASE YEAR FOR PURPOSES OF A PORTION OF THESE REIMBURSEMENTS AND TO MAKE OTHER TECHNICAL AND CLARIFYING AMENDMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THESE REIMBURSEMENTS, THEIR SCHEDULE OF PAYMENT, AND THE OPERATION OF THE TAX CREDIT FOR COUNTY OPERATING MILLAGE IF ANY UNEXPENDED BALANCE REMAINS IN THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FUND.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

H. 3616 -- Rep. F. N. Smith: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 41-1-70, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE LIABILITY OF AN EMPLOYER FOR DISMISSAL OR DEMOTION OF AN EMPLOYEE WHO COMPLIES WITH A SUBPOENA OR SERVES ON A JURY, SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR AN EMPLOYEE'S ATTENDANCE AT A COURT PROCEEDING AT A PROSECUTOR'S REQUEST AND TO PROVIDE A CRIMINAL PENALTY AGAINST AN EMPLOYER WHO DISMISSES OR DEMOTES AN EMPLOYEE WHO COMPLIES WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION; AND TO AMEND SECTION 41-1-80, RELATING TO THE LIABILITY OF AN EMPLOYER WHO DISCHARGES OR DEMOTES AN EMPLOYEE WHO INSTITUTES A WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIM, SO AS TO PROVIDE A CRIMINAL PENALTY.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

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H. 3617 -- Rep. F. N. Smith: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-67-240, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO DUTIES OF SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AT THE END OF EACH SCHOOL DAY, THE DRIVER SHALL DEPOSIT PUPILS AT THEIR APPROPRIATE BUS STOP SITES ONLY, TO PROVIDE THAT IF THE DRIVER IS UNSURE OF THE PUPIL'S APPROPRIATE BUS STOP SITE, HE SHALL RETURN THE PUPIL TO THE SCHOOL THE PUPIL ATTENDS, TO PROVIDE THAT THE DRIVER SHALL THEN CONTACT THE PUPIL'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO INFORM THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF THE PUPIL'S LOCATION, AND TO PROVIDE THAT NO CHILD UNDER THE AGE OF TWELVE SHALL BE LEFT UNATTENDED AT HIS SCHOOL BY A SCHOOL BUS DRIVER.

Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works

H. 3622 -- Reps. Ott, McLeod, Haley, Cotty, Agnew, Barfield, Battle, Branham, Clemmons, Cobb-Hunter, Crawford, Duncan, Hagood, Hardwick, Harrell, Hart, Hayes, Hiott, Hodges, Howard, Jefferson, Limehouse, Lowe, J. H. Neal, Parks, E. H. Pitts, M. A. Pitts, Sellers, Skelton, Spires, Stavrinakis, Toole, Vick, Weeks, Williams and Witherspoon: A BILL TO AMEND TITLE 50, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO FISH, GAME, AND WATERCRAFT, SO AS TO ENACT "CHANDLER'S LAW" BY ADDING CHAPTER 26 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR REGULATION OF THE OPERATION OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, INCLUDING THE REQUIREMENT THAT A PERSON AT LEAST SIX AND NOT OVER SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE MUST COMPLETE A SAFETY COURSE BEFORE HE MAY OPERATE AN ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE AND MUST ALSO MEET AGE REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIC TO THE VEHICLE, TO PROVIDE THAT ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES ARE EXEMPT FROM AD VALOREM TAXES BEGINNING WITH CALENDAR YEAR 2007, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS; AND TO AMEND CHAPTER 3, TITLE 56, RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND LICENSING, BY ADDING ARTICLE 10 SO AS TO PROVIDE A PROCEDURE FOR THE TITLING OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES.

Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs

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H. 3623 -- Rep. Thompson: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 6-11-340, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICTS, SO AS TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CHANGE; TO AMEND SECTIONS 14-1-206, 14-1-207, AND 14-1-208, ALL AS AMENDED, RELATING TO MONETARY ASSESSMENTS LEVIED AGAINST FINES IMPOSED IN GENERAL SESSIONS, MAGISTRATES, AND MUNICIPAL COURTS, SO AS TO DELETE THE TERM "DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY" AND REPLACE IT WITH THE TERM "SOUTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY"; TO AMEND SECTION 23-11-110, RELATING TO CERTAIN QUALIFICATIONS THAT A SHERIFF MUST POSSESS, SO AS TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CHANGE; TO AMEND SECTION 23-23-70, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER CERTIFICATES, SO AS TO DELETE REFERENCES TO SECTION 23-6-440 AND REPLACE IT WITH REFERENCES TO SECTION 23-23-60; TO AMEND SECTIONS 23-28-20, 23-28-60, AND 23-28-90, ALL RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF RESERVE POLICE OFFICERS, SO AS TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES; TO AMEND SECTION 23-47-20, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO 911 SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CHANGE; TO AMEND SECTION 24-5-320, RELATING TO THE JAIL PRE-SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAM, SO AS TO DELETE REFERENCES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND REPLACE THEM WITH REFERENCES TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES; TO AMEND SECTION 24-5-360, RELATING TO TRAINING OFFERED TO RESERVES WHO WISH TO BECOME FULL-TIME JAILERS OR DETENTION OFFICERS, SO AS TO DELETE REFERENCES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND REPLACE THEM WITH REFERENCES TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CHANGE; TO AMEND SECTION 56-5-2950, RELATING TO A PERSON WHO DRIVES A MOTOR VEHICLE HAVING GIVEN CONSENT TO SUBMIT TO CHEMICAL TESTS OF HIS BREATH, BLOOD, OR URINE FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES, SO AS TO DELETE A REFERENCE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND REPLACE IT WITH A REFERENCE TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40-18-30, AS

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AMENDED, RELATING TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION, SO AS TO DELETE A REFERENCE TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COUNCIL AND TO REPLACE IT WITH A REFERENCE TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

H. 3624 -- Reps. Herbkerson, Cotty, Bannister, Breeland, Crawford, Duncan, Edge, Harrison, Hinson, Huggins, Jennings, Scott and G. M. Smith: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 61-4-10, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF BEERS, ALES, PORTERS, AND WINES THAT ARE CONSIDERED NONALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, SO AS TO INCREASE THE PERCENT OF ALCOHOL BY WEIGHT IN BEERS, ALES, PORTERS, AND SIMILAR MALT BEVERAGES THAT ARE CONSIDERED NONALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 3618 -- Reps. Scott, Agnew, Alexander, Allen, Anderson, Anthony, Bales, Ballentine, Bannister, Barfield, Battle, Bedingfield, Bingham, Bowen, Bowers, Brady, Branham, Brantley, Breeland, G. Brown, R. Brown, Cato, Ceips, Chalk, Chellis, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Coleman, Cooper, Cotty, Crawford, Dantzler, Davenport, Delleney, Duncan, Edge, Frye, Funderburk, Gambrell, Govan, Gullick, Hagood, Haley, Hamilton, Hardwick, Harrell, Harrison, Hart, Harvin, Haskins, Hayes, Herbkerson, Hinson, Hiott, Hodges, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Jennings, Kelly, Kennedy, Kirsh, Knight, Leach, Limehouse, Littlejohn, Loftis, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, Mahaffey, McLeod, Merrill, Miller, Mitchell, Moody-Lawrence, Moss, Mulvaney, J. H. Neal, J. M. Neal, Neilson, Ott, Owens, Parks, Perry, Phillips, Pinson, E. H. Pitts, M. A. Pitts, Rice, Rutherford, Sandifer, Scarborough, Sellers, Shoopman, Simrill, Skelton, D. C. Smith, F. N. Smith, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, J. R. Smith, W. D. Smith, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stewart, Talley, Taylor, Thompson, Toole, Umphlett, Vick, Viers, Walker, Weeks, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Witherspoon and Young: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE MRS. CARRIE TAYLOR ASHFORD, OF RICHLAND COUNTY, ON THE

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OCCASION OF HER NINETIETH BIRTHDAY, AND TO WISH HER A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MANY MORE YEARS OF HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

The Resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 3619 -- Rep. Duncan: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE APPRECIATION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE OF MR. SAM OWENS, OF CLINTON.

The Resolution was adopted.

ROLL CALL

The roll call of the House of Representatives was taken resulting as follows:

Anderson	Anthony	Bales
Ballentine	Bannister	Barfield
Battle	Bedingfield	Bingham
Bowen	Bowers	Brady
Branham	Brantley	Breeland
G. Brown	R. Brown	Cato
Ceips	Chalk	Chellis
Clemmons	Clyburn	Cobb-Hunter
Cooper	Crawford	Dantzler
Davenport	Delleney	Duncan
Frye	Funderburk	Gambrell
Govan	Gullick	Hagood
Haley	Hardwick	Harrell
Harrison	Hart	Harvin
Haskins	Hayes	Herbkersman
Hinson	Hiott	Hodges
Hosey	Howard	Huggins
Jefferson	Jennings	Kelly
Kennedy	Kirsh	Knight
Leach	Limehouse	Littlejohn
Loftis	Lowe	Lucas
Mahaffey	McLeod	Merrill

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Miller	Mitchell	Moss
Mulvaney	J. H. Neal	J. M. Neal
Ott	Owens	Phillips
Pinson	Rice	Sandifer
Scarborough	Scott	Shoopman
Simrill	Skelton	D. C. Smith
F. N. Smith	G. M. Smith	G. R. Smith
J. R. Smith	W. D. Smith	Spires
Stavrinakis	Stewart	Talley
Taylor	Thompson	Toole
Umphlett	Walker	Weeks
Whipper	White	Williams
Witherspoon	Young	

STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE

I came in after the roll call and was present for the Session on Thursday, March 1.

Paul Agnew	Karl Allen
Bill Cotty	David Mack
Skipper Perry	Glenn Hamilton
Michael A. Pitts	Edward H. "Ted" Pitts
Creighton Coleman	Tracy Edge
Todd Rutherford	William R. "Bill" Whitmire
Bakari Sellers	Ted Vick
Thad Viers	Denny Neilson

Total Present--120

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER granted Rep. PARKS a leave of absence for the day for the dedication and grand opening celebration of the Magic Johnson Community Empowerment Center in Greenwood.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Reps. MAHAFFEY, TALLEY and KELLY presented to the House the James F. Byrnes High School "Rebels" Marching Band, the 2006 AAAA Champions, their directors and other school officials.

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Rep. HIOTT presented to the House the Pickens High School Lady "Blue Flames" Volleyball Team, the 2006 Class AAAA Champions, their coaches and other school officials.

CO-SPONSORS ADDED

In accordance with House Rule 5.2 below:

"5.2 Every bill before presentation shall have its title endorsed; every report, its title at length; every petition, memorial, or other paper, its prayer or substance; and, in every instance, the name of the member presenting any paper shall be endorsed and the papers shall be presented by the member to the Speaker at the desk. A member may add his name to a bill or resolution or a co-sponsor of a bill or resolution may remove his name at any time prior to the bill or resolution receiving passage on second reading. The member or co-sponsor shall notify the Clerk of the House in writing of his desire to have his name added or removed from the bill or resolution. The Clerk of the House shall print the member's or co-sponsor's written notification in the House Journal. The removal or addition of a name does not apply to a bill or resolution sponsored by a committee."

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03/01/07 WEEKS

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03/01/07 ALLEN

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Bill Number: H. 3351
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03/01/07 G. R. SMITH

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Date: ADD:
03/01/07 VICK

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03/01/07 OWENS

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03/01/07 HARRELL

CO-SPONSOR ADDED

Bill Number: H. 3604
Date: ADD:
03/01/07 E. H. PITTS

SENT TO THE SENATE

The following Bills and Joint Resolution were taken up, read the third time, and ordered sent to the Senate:

H. 3481 -- Reps. Cato, G. Brown, Cobb-Hunter, Cooper, Dantzler, Haley, Huggins, Leach, Owens, Skelton, G. M. Smith and Witherspoon: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 40-10-230, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PERSONS WHOM THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10, TITLE 40, REGULATING FIRE SPRINKLER CONTRACTORS, DO NOT APPLY, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT CHAPTER 10 DOES NOT APPLY TO PERSONS WHO ARE EMPLOYED BY PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS TO REPAIR, ALTER, MAINTAIN, OR INSPECT FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS.

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H. 3490 -- Reps. G. M. Smith, E. H. Pitts, Delleney, Harrison, Hart, Lucas, Rutherford, Sandifer, Stavrinakis, Thompson, Weeks, Whitmire and McLeod: A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 22, TITLE 17, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE PRETRIAL INTERVENTION PROGRAM BY DESIGNATING THE EXISTING SECTIONS AS ARTICLE 1 AND BY ADDING ARTICLE 5 SO AS TO CREATE THE "ALCOHOL EDUCATION PROGRAM ACT", TO PROVIDE THAT EACH SOLICITOR HAS THE AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM FOR PERSONS WHO COMMIT CERTAIN ALCOHOL-RELATED OFFENSES, AND TO PROVIDE PROCEDURES FOR THE OPERATION OF A PROGRAM AND REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONS DESIRING TO ENTER A PROGRAM.

H. 3566 -- Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION, OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH, RELATING TO REPORTING FATALITIES AND MULTIPLE HOSPITALIZATION INCIDENTS TO OSHA, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 3105, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

H. 3278--REQUESTS FOR DEBATE

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3278 -- Reps. G. R. Smith, Haskins, Bedingfield, Cato, Hamilton, Harrell, Leach, E. H. Pitts, Shoopman, F. N. Smith and Taylor: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 7-13-200 SO AS TO PROVIDE A UNIFORM METHOD OF FILLING VACANCIES IN AN ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICE WHEN A PERSON MOVES HIS RESIDENCE OUTSIDE OF THE AREA FROM WHICH HE WAS ELECTED OR APPOINTED.

Reps. SCARBOROUGH, HINSON, UMPHLETT, YOUNG, BINGHAM, HERBKERSMAN, SKELTON, WEEKS, CRAWFORD, HARDWICK and MERRILL requested debate on the Bill.

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RETURNED TO THE SENATE WITH AMENDMENTS

The following Bill was taken up, read the third time, and ordered returned to the Senate with amendments:

S. 408 -- Senators Short and Leatherman: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 12-6-3360, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE JOBS TAX CREDIT, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A COUNTY'S DESIGNATION MAY NOT DROP MORE THAN ONE TIER IN THE FOLLOWING YEAR AS A RESULT OF THE ANNUAL RANKING AND DESIGNATION OF COUNTIES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE.

ORDERED ENROLLED FOR RATIFICATION

The following Bill was read the third time, passed and, having received three readings in both Houses, it was ordered that the title be changed to that of an Act, and that it be enrolled for ratification:

S. 208 -- Senator Richardson: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 7-7-110, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DESIGNATION OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN BEAUFORT COUNTY, SO AS TO REVIEW AND RENAME CERTAIN VOTING PRECINCTS OF BEAUFORT COUNTY AND REDESIGNATE A MAP NUMBER FOR THE MAP ON WHICH LINES OF THESE PRECINCTS ARE DELINEATED AND MAINTAINED BY THE OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND STATISTICS OF THE STATE BUDGET AND CONTROL BOARD, AND TO ADD A PROVISION TO AUTHORIZE THE BEAUFORT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION, WITH THE APPROVAL OF A MAJORITY OF THE BEAUFORT COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION, TO DETERMINE THE POLLING PLACES FOR THE PRECINCTS IN BEAUFORT COUNTY.

H. 3507--DEBATE ADJOURNED

Rep. RICE moved to adjourn debate upon the following Bill until Tuesday, March 6, which was adopted:

H. 3507 -- Reps. Rice, Allen, Cato, Hamilton, Leach, Loftis and J. R. Smith: A BILL TO AMEND ACT 745 OF 1967, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE GREATER GREENVILLE SEWER DISTRICT (CURRENTLY WESTERN CAROLINA SEWER AUTHORITY), SO

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AS TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE AUTHORITY BY
ADDING THE CHAIRMEN OF CERTAIN ENTITIES SERVICED
BY THE AUTHORITY AS EX OFFICIO VOTING MEMBERS.

H. 3505--REQUESTS FOR DEBATE

The following Joint Resolution was taken up:

H. 3505 -- Reps. Harrell, W. D. Smith, Cato, Chellis, Cooper, Harrison, Walker, Witherspoon, Merrill, Cotty, Duncan, Hagood, Huggins, Scarborough, Haley, Davenport, Ballentine, Bannister, Battle, Bedingfield, Bingham, Bowen, Brady, Breeland, G. Brown, Ceips, Clemmons, Crawford, Dantzler, Delleney, Gambrell, Gullick, Hamilton, Haskins, Hayes, Hinson, Hiott, Kelly, Kirsh, Knight, Leach, Littlejohn, Lowe, Lucas, Mahaffey, Moss, Mulvaney, Owens, Perry, Pinson, E. H. Pitts, M. A. Pitts, Shoopman, Simrill, Skelton, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stewart, Talley, Taylor, Thompson, Toole, Umphlett, White, Whitmire, Young and Hodges: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO DIRECT THE STATE PORTS AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE AND BRING TO ITS EARLIEST CONCLUSION THE CONDEMNATION ACTION IT HAS BEGUN INVOLVING APPROXIMATELY ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED ACRES IN JASPER COUNTY NEEDED TO DEVELOP NEW TERMINAL FACILITIES; TO PROVIDE THAT THE POWER AND AUTHORITY OF JASPER COUNTY TO UNDERTAKE ANY CONDEMNATION ACTION REGARDING THIS APPROXIMATELY ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED ACRES IN JASPER COUNTY OR ANY OTHER CONDEMNATION ACTION IN REGARD TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF TERMINAL FACILITIES IN JASPER COUNTY IS SUSPENDED FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS JOINT RESOLUTION; TO DIRECT THE STATE PORTS AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE AND COMPLETE CERTAIN OTHER ACTIONS BEGUN BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS JOINT RESOLUTION IN REGARD TO THESE NEW TERMINAL FACILITIES; AND TO DIRECT THE STATE PORTS AUTHORITY TO BEGIN SPECIFIC NEW UNDERTAKINGS WITHIN A STIPULATED TIME FRAME UPON FINAL CONCLUSION INCLUDING ALL APPEALS OF THE ABOVE CONDEMNATION ACTION.

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Reps. CATO, CHELLIS, SCARBOROUGH, HAGOOD, STAVRINAKIS, LEACH, HARDWICK, SKELTON, OTT, THOMPSON, MERRILL, WEEKS, HINSON, YOUNG, BALES and WHIPPER requested debate on the Bill.

ORDERED TO THIRD READING

The following Bills were taken up, read the second time, and ordered to a third reading:

H. 3406 -- Reps. Sellers, Govan and Ott: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 44-7-3455, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO HOSPITALS NOT SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE HOSPITAL PATIENT SAFETY ACT, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PROVISIONS OF THAT ACT DO NOT APPLY TO SPECIALTY HOSPITALS UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE SERVICES.

Rep. HARVIN explained the Bill.

S. 146 -- Senators Malloy, McConnell, Ford, Rankin, Knotts, Cleary, Campsen, Richardson, Hayes, Vaughn, Elliott, Fair, Alexander, Lourie and Setzler: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 23-1-210, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE TEMPORARY TRANSFER OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT ANY MUNICIPAL OR COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER MAY BE TRANSFERRED OR ASSIGNED ON A TEMPORARY BASIS TO WORK WITHIN MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL TASK FORCES ESTABLISHED FOR THE MUTUAL AID AND BENEFIT OF THE PARTICIPATING JURISDICTIONS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 23-1-215, RELATING TO AGREEMENTS BETWEEN MULTIPLE LAW ENFORCEMENT JURISDICTIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IN THE EVENT OF A CRIME OR CRIMES THAT HAVE OCCURRED WHERE MULTIPLE JURISDICTIONS ARE INVOLVED, LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ARE AUTHORIZED TO EXERCISE JURISDICTION WITHIN OTHER COUNTIES OR

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Rep. HAGOOD explained the Bill.

**H. 3406--ORDERED TO BE READ THIRD TIME
TOMORROW**

On motion of Rep. HARVIN, with unanimous consent, it was ordered that H. 3406 be read the third time tomorrow.

S. 146--ORDERED TO BE READ THIRD TIME TOMORROW

On motion of Rep. JENNINGS, with unanimous consent, it was ordered that S. 146 be read the third time tomorrow.

H. 3452--POINT OF ORDER

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3452 -- Reps. Breeland, Bales, Bannister, Dantzler, Govan, Hosey, Jefferson, Knight, Mack, Miller, J. M. Neal, Rice, F. N. Smith and Williams: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 25-11-40, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO COUNTY VETERANS AFFAIRS OFFICERS, SO AS TO EXTEND THEIR TERMS FROM TWO YEARS TO FOUR YEARS.

Rep. BREEELAND explained the Bill.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. COOPER made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

H. 3362--POINT OF ORDER

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3362 -- Reps. Parks, Sandifer, Scott, Pinson, Allen, Agnew, Alexander, Cato, Cobb-Hunter, Davenport, Harrison, Hart, Harvin, Howard, Jefferson, Leach, Miller, J. H. Neal, M. A. Pitts, Sellers, F. N. Smith, Taylor, Weeks, Whipper, Whitmire and Mahaffey: A

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BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 44-63-72 SO AS TO REQUIRE AN EMBALMER OR FUNERAL DIRECTOR WHO FILES A DEATH CERTIFICATE TO PROVIDE HIS EMBALMER OR FUNERAL HOME DIRECTOR LICENSE NUMBER ON THE DEATH CERTIFICATE; AND TO AMEND SECTION 44-63-70, RELATING TO THE STATE REGISTRAR'S OBLIGATION TO PRESCRIBE DEATH CERTIFICATE FORMS, AMONG OTHER VITAL STATISTICS FORMS, TO COUNTY REGISTRARS AND APPROPRIATE AGENCIES, SO AS TO REQUIRE THE REGISTRAR TO INCLUDE ON DEATH CERTIFICATE FORMS A SPACE WHERE AN EMBALMER OR FUNERAL DIRECTOR MAY PROVIDE HIS LICENSE NUMBER WHEN FILING A DEATH CERTIFICATE.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. BREELAND made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

H. 3025--POINT OF ORDER

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3025 -- Reps. Viers and Mahaffey: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING CHAPTER 91 TO TITLE 40 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR REGISTRATION AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONS ENGAGED IN THE PROFESSION OF PROVIDING IMMIGRATION ASSISTANCE.

The Judiciary Committee proposed the following Amendment No. 1 (Doc Name COUNCIL\GGs\22766MM07):

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Section 40-91-40(D) as found in SECTION 1, page 3, line 29, by deleting subsection (D) in its entirety and inserting:

/ (D)(1) A person performing the services described in this chapter shall obtain a business license from the office of the Secretary of State and as may be required by a local governing authority.

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(2) The initial application for license made to the Secretary of State must be accompanied by an application fee of two hundred dollars, a license fee of one hundred dollars, and verification of a surety bond of five thousand dollars.

(3) The Secretary shall issue the initial license thirty days following receipt of the application unless there is reason to believe, on the basis of a complaint and investigation, that the applicant is not in compliance with this chapter. The application for a license must be denied and the license fee refunded if the Secretary determines that the applicant is not in compliance. The application fee must not be refunded.

(4) The licensee is responsible for renewing the license during the first January after the initial application, at which time licenses are issued for two years beginning January first through December thirtieth. Licenses must be renewed biennially.

(5) For subsequent renewals, the Secretary shall mail annual license renewal forms to the last known address of each licensee by November first. If license renewal forms are not received by a licensee for any reason, the licensee shall request a license renewal form from the Secretary's office. Every licensee shall file a biennial license renewal in a form and manner suitable to the Secretary, postmarked not later than the last day of December. The renewal form must be accompanied by a renewal fee of one hundred dollars. If a license renewal form is not received by the Secretary's office the first week of January, the Secretary shall notify the licensee in writing that the licensee shall pay a late penalty of one hundred dollars and that the licensee has thirty days from the date of notice to comply with licensing requirements. If compliance is not met within the specified time, the Secretary shall deny license renewal, return the license fee, and notify the business to cease operation.

(6) If a written complaint by a person to the Secretary reveals that a licensee or firm is not in compliance with this chapter, the Secretary shall notify the licensee of the alleged violation in writing and allow thirty days from the date of notice for response to and compliance with this chapter. If a response is not received within thirty days, the Secretary shall investigate the alleged violation and, if the licensee or firm is found to be in violation of this chapter, shall deny or revoke the license.

(7) The aggregate liability of the surety for all breaches of the bond may not exceed the sum of the bond. The surety on the bond may cancel the bond upon giving thirty days' written notice to the

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Secretary for a breach of condition occurring after the effective date of the cancellation. Failure to maintain a surety bond in force with the Secretary constitutes disqualification for retaining a license. The Secretary shall allow ten working days after notification to the licensee for requalification before revoking the license. The business may not operate until proof of surety bond is established with the Secretary.

(8) All claims or suits brought against a licensee may be brought in the name of the person damaged upon the bond deposited with the Secretary and may be transferred and assigned as other claims for damages in civil suits. The amount of damages claimed by the plaintiff, and not the penalty designated in the bond, determines the jurisdiction of the court in which the action is brought. If a licensee has left the State with intent to defraud his creditors or to avoid the service of a summons in an action brought pursuant to this chapter, service must be made upon the surety. A copy of the summons must be mailed to the last known post office address of the residence of the licensee as shown by the records of the Secretary.

(9) If a licensee relocates his offices before filing the annual renewal notice, he shall submit a written notice of the change of address to the Secretary, containing a notarized statement that the new location conforms to licensing requirements.

(10) If a licensee ceases to operate or goes out of business, he shall notify the Secretary in writing of the action and return the license to the Secretary.

Amend the bill further, as and if amended, Section 40-91-40, as found in SECTION 1, by inserting a new subsection after line 26 on page 4, to read:

/ (I) A violation of this chapter is per se a violation of the South Carolina Unfair Trade Practices Act as contained in Chapter 5 of Title 39. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. DELLENEY explained the amendment.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. PINSON made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

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H. 3157--POINT OF ORDER

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3157 -- Reps. Huggins, Kirsh, Sandifer, Herbkersman, Cotty, Viers, Clemmons and Weeks: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 27-37-30, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR SERVICE OF RULE ON A TENANT AGAINST WHOM EJECTMENT PROCEEDINGS ARE BROUGHT, SO AS TO PROVIDE A METHOD OF SERVICE BY POSTING IF GROUNDS OF EJECTMENT ARE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT THREATEN LIFE OR SIGNIFICANT PROPERTY DAMAGE; TO AMEND SECTION 27-37-40, RELATING TO TENANT EJECTMENT ON FAILURE TO SHOW CAUSE, SO AS TO REQUIRE MAGISTRATES TO IMMEDIATELY ISSUE A WARRANT FOR EJECTMENT IF GROUNDS FOR EJECTMENT ARE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT THREATEN LIVES OR SIGNIFICANT PROPERTY DAMAGE AND THE TENANT FAILS TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WITHIN FIVE DAYS OF SERVICE; TO AMEND SECTION 27-40-720, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO TENANT NONCOMPLIANCE AFFECTING HEALTH AND SAFETY, SO AS TO DEFINE FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION THE TERM "EMERGENCY" TO INCLUDE CIRCUMSTANCES CONSIDERED TO THREATEN THE LIVES OF RESIDENTS OR EMPLOYEES, OR SIGNIFICANT PROPERTY DAMAGE.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. TALLEY made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

H. 3249--POINT OF ORDER

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3249 -- Reps. Scarborough, Umphlett and McLeod: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 1-23-110, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO AGENCY PROCEDURES FOR PROMULGATING REGULATIONS, SO AS TO INCLUDE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED FOR ELSEWHERE IN

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THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT; TO AMEND SECTION 1-23-120, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY REVIEW OF REGULATIONS, SO AS TO REVISE PROCEDURES GOVERNING THIS REVIEW BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, REQUIRING AGENCIES TO STRIKE THROUGH TEXT BEING DELETED FROM EXISTING REGULATIONS AND TO UNDERLINE TEXT BEING ADDED, REQUIRING LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN REGULATIONS ARE SUBMITTED FOR REVIEW, DELETING THE PROVISIONS ESTABLISHING AUTOMATIC APPROVAL OF REGULATIONS AFTER ONE HUNDRED TWENTY DAYS AND PROVIDING THAT REGULATIONS MAY ONLY BE EFFECTIVE BY ENACTMENT OF A JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REGULATION, PROVIDING THAT A REGULATION IS DEEMED WITHDRAWN IF IT HAS NOT BECOME EFFECTIVE BY THE END OF THE TWO-YEAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION DURING WHICH THE REGULATION WAS SUBMITTED FOR REVIEW AND PROVIDING EXPEDITED PROCEDURES FOR SUBMITTING THE SAME REGULATION FOR LEGISLATIVE REVIEW IN THE NEXT SESSION, AND DELETING PROVISIONS REQUIRING AGENCIES TO CONDUCT FORMAL REVIEWS OF THEIR REGULATIONS EVERY FIVE YEARS; TO AMEND SECTION 1-23-125, RELATING TO THE APPROVAL, DISAPPROVAL, AND MODIFICATION OF REGULATIONS, SO AS TO DELETE PROVISIONS PROVIDED FOR ELSEWHERE IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT, TO DELETE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE ONE HUNDRED TWENTY DAY AUTOMATIC APPROVAL PROCEDURES, AND TO AUTHORIZE, RATHER THAN PROHIBIT, AN AGENCY TO WITHDRAW REGULATIONS UNDER GENERAL ASSEMBLY REVIEW ANYTIME AND TO PROVIDE EXPEDITED PROCEDURES FOR RESUBMISSION OF SUCH WITHDRAWN REGULATIONS; AND TO ADD SECTION 1-23-121 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AN AGENCY MAY NOT ESTABLISH, MODIFY, OR INCREASE A FEE UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY LAW OR THROUGH REGULATION.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. CRAWFORD made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and

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title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

H. 3355--POINT OF ORDER

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3355 -- Reps. Delleney, Mulvaney, Bedingfield, Shoopman, Leach, W. D. Smith, Gullick, Duncan, Gambrell, Hamilton, Kelly, M. A. Pitts, Rice, Talley, Walker, Haskins, Simrill, Vick and Owens: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 44-41-330, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO PREREQUISITES FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF AN ABORTION, INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED, CERTIFICATION, WAITING PERIOD, SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR MINORS OR MENTALLY INCOMPETENT PERSONS, RETENTION OF RECORDS, AND UNAVAILABILITY OF RECORDS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE PHYSICIAN WHO IS TO PERFORM THE ABORTION MUST VERIFY THE PROBABLE GESTATIONAL AGE OF THE EMBRYO OR FETUS BY USING AN OBSTETRIC ULTRASOUND, TO PROVIDE THAT THE IMAGES USED TO VERIFY THE PROBABLE GESTATIONAL AGE MUST BE REVIEWED WITH THE WOMAN SEEKING THE ABORTION, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE WOMAN SEEKING THE ABORTION MUST CERTIFY IN WRITING BEFORE THE ABORTION IS PERFORMED THAT SHE HAS REVIEWED THE ULTRASOUND IMAGES.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. COBB-HUNTER made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

H. 3032--AMENDED AND ORDERED TO THIRD READING

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3032 -- Reps. Viers and Sandifer: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, TO CREATE A STUDY COMMITTEE TO STUDY APPROPRIATE ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS RELATING

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TO THE PRESENCE OF ILLEGAL ALIENS IN THIS STATE AND
TO RECOMMEND LEGISLATIVE CHANGES AS APPROPRIATE.

The Judiciary Committee proposed the following Amendment No. 1
(Doc Name COUNCIL\GGS\22764MM07), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking all after the enacting
clause and inserting:

/ SECTION 1. (A) There is created a House Study Committee to
study the appropriate enforcement of federal and state laws relating to
the presence of illegal aliens in this State and to recommend legislative
changes as appropriate.

(B) The Study Committee must be composed of twelve members
appointed as follows:

(1) two members of the House of Representatives appointed
by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(2) two members of the House appointed by the Chairman of
the House Judiciary Committee;

(3) one member appointed by the Hispanic Caucus of the
House of Representatives;

(4) the Attorney General or his designee;

(5) the chief of the State Law Enforcement Division or his
designee;

(6) one member each, appointed by the Chairman of the
House Judiciary Committee and nominated by:

(a) the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce;

(b) the South Carolina Farm Bureau;

(c) the Hospitality Association of South Carolina;

(d) the Carolinas Association of General Contractors; and

(e) the South Carolina Sheriff's Association.

(C) The Study Committee shall render its report and
recommendations to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the
President *Pro Tempore* of the Senate, and the Governor no later than
January 1, 2008. The Study Committee shall continue to meet after
this date, if necessary, in order to make continuing recommendations to
the General Assembly regarding the appropriate enforcement of federal
and state laws related to the presence of illegal aliens in the State.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor. /
Renumber sections to conform.
Amend title to conform.

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Rep. DELLENEY explained the amendment.
The amendment was then adopted.

The Bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

**H. 3032--ORDERED TO BE READ THIRD TIME
TOMORROW**

On motion of Rep. JENNINGS, with unanimous consent, it was ordered that H. 3032 be read the third time tomorrow.

H. 3149--POINT OF ORDER

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3149 -- Reps. Toole, Umphlett, Kirsh, Littlejohn, Mahaffey, Herbkerman, Cotty, Viers and Clemmons: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 43-5-252 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON MAY NOT RECEIVE FOOD ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, FOOD STAMPS IF THE STATE ADMINISTERS THE ELIGIBILITY PROCESS, UNLESS THE PERSON VERIFIES THAT HE OR SHE IS LAWFULLY PRESENT IN THE STATE, AND TO REQUIRE SUCH A PERSON TO APPLY FOR SUCH BENEFITS THROUGH THE SYSTEMATIC ALIEN VERIFICATION OF ENTITLEMENT PROGRAM, AND TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS UNLAWFUL TO PROVIDE SUCH BENEFITS IN VIOLATION OF THIS ACT.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. COBB-HUNTER made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

H. 3285--POINT OF ORDER

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3285 -- Reps. Scarborough, Limehouse, Harrell and Stavrinakis: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-40-190, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A CHARTER SCHOOL, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A CHARTER SCHOOL CHARTERED BEFORE 2006 MAY HAVE A MEMBER OF THE SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY WHO ALSO RECEIVES PAY AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE SAME SCHOOL.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. COBB-HUNTER made the Point of Order that the Bill was improperly before the House for consideration since its number and title have not been printed in the House Calendar at least one statewide legislative day prior to second reading.

The SPEAKER sustained the Point of Order.

H. 3212--RECONSIDERED

The motion of Rep. MERRILL to reconsider the vote whereby the following Bill was recommitted was taken up:

H. 3212 -- Reps. Delleney, M. A. Pitts, Haley, Crawford, Chellis, G. R. Smith, Owens, Rice, Weeks, Viers, Simrill, Bedingfield, Vick, Duncan, Mulvaney, Stavrinakis, Clemmons and Young: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 23-31-215, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF CONCEALABLE WEAPONS PERMITS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT VALID OUT-OF-STATE PERMITS TO CARRY CONCEALABLE WEAPONS HELD BY A RESIDENT OF ANOTHER STATE MUST BE HONORED BY THIS STATE AND TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT THIS STATE WILL ONLY HONOR OUT-OF-STATE PERMITS ISSUED BY A STATE WITH WHICH SOUTH CAROLINA HAS RECIPROCITY.

Rep. SCOTT moved to table the motion to reconsider.

Rep. SCOTT demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 6; Nays 101

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Breeland	Dantzler	Hart
Kirsh	McLeod	Scott

Total--6

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Those who voted in the negative are:

Agnew	Allen	Anderson
Anthony	Bales	Ballentine
Bannister	Barfield	Battle
Bedingfield	Bingham	Bowen
Bowers	Brady	Branham
Brantley	Cato	Ceips
Chalk	Chellis	Clemmons
Coleman	Cooper	Cotty
Crawford	Davenport	Delleney
Duncan	Edge	Frye
Funderburk	Gambrell	Gullick
Hagood	Haley	Hamilton
Hardwick	Harrell	Harrison
Harvin	Haskins	Hayes
Herbkersman	Hinson	Hiott
Hodges	Hosey	Huggins
Jefferson	Jennings	Kelly
Kennedy	Knight	Leach
Limehouse	Littlejohn	Loftis
Lowe	Lucas	Mahaffey
Merrill	Miller	Mitchell
Moss	Mulvaney	J. M. Neal
Ott	Owens	Perry
Phillips	Pinson	E. H. Pitts
M. A. Pitts	Rice	Rutherford
Sandifer	Scarborough	Sellers
Shoopman	Simrill	Skelton
D. C. Smith	G. R. Smith	J. R. Smith
W. D. Smith	Spires	Stavrinakis
Stewart	Talley	Taylor
Thompson	Toole	Umphlett
Vick	Viers	Walker
Weeks	White	Whitmire
Witherspoon	Young	

Total--101

So, the House refused to table the motion to reconsider.

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The question then recurred to the motion to reconsider, which was agreed to.

H. 3278--RECONSIDERED

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3278 -- Reps. G. R. Smith, Haskins, Bedingfield, Cato, Hamilton, Harrell, Leach, E. H. Pitts, Shoopman, F. N. Smith and Taylor: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 7-13-200 SO AS TO PROVIDE A UNIFORM METHOD OF FILLING VACANCIES IN AN ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICE WHEN A PERSON MOVES HIS RESIDENCE OUTSIDE OF THE AREA FROM WHICH HE WAS ELECTED OR APPOINTED.

Rep. SCARBOROUGH moved to adjourn debate on the Bill until Tuesday, March 6 which was rejected by a division vote of 45 to 48.

Rep. HINSON moved to continue the Bill, which was rejected by a division vote of 32 to 61.

MOTION REJECTED

Rep. SCARBOROUGH moved that the House recur to the morning hour, which was rejected.

Rep. HINSON spoke against the Bill.

Rep. RICE moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Bill was given a second reading, which was agreed to by a division vote of 63 to 35.

H. 3571--ADOPTED

The following House Resolution was taken up:

H. 3571 -- Reps. Barfield, Agnew, Alexander, Allen, Anderson, Anthony, Bales, Ballentine, Bannister, Battle, Bedingfield, Bingham, Bowen, Bowers, Brady, Branham, Brantley, Breeland, G. Brown, R. Brown, Cato, Ceips, Chalk, Chellis, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Coleman, Cooper, Cotty, Crawford, Dantzler, Davenport, Delleney, Duncan, Edge, Frye, Funderburk, Gambrell, Govan, Gullick, Hagood, Haley, Hamilton, Hardwick, Harrell, Harrison, Hart, Harvin, Haskins, Hayes, Herbkersman, Hinson, Hiott, Hodges, Hosey, Howard,

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Huggins, Jefferson, Jennings, Kelly, Kennedy, Kirsh, Knight, Leach, Limehouse, Littlejohn, Loftis, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, Mahaffey, McLeod, Merrill, Miller, Mitchell, Moody-Lawrence, Moss, Mulvaney, J. H. Neal, J. M. Neal, Neilson, Ott, Owens, Parks, Perry, Phillips, Pinson, E. H. Pitts, M. A. Pitts, Rice, Rutherford, Sandifer, Scarborough, Scott, Sellers, Shoopman, Simrill, Skelton, D. C. Smith, F. N. Smith, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, J. R. Smith, W. D. Smith, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stewart, Talley, Taylor, Thompson, Toole, Umphlett, Vick, Viers, Walker, Weeks, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Witherspoon and Young: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO COMMEND TAIWAN ON ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GLOBAL ECONOMY, SUCH AS THE PROMOTION OF WORLD PEACE, LIBERTY, AND HUMAN RIGHTS, AND TO SUPPORT TAIWAN'S EFFORTS TO JOIN THE UNITED NATIONS, THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION, AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.

Whereas, Taiwan and the United States of America are long-standing allies, both dearly cherishing universal values of freedom, democracy, and human rights; and

Whereas, Taiwan is the world's sixteenth-largest economy, the United States' eighth-largest trading partner, as well as the fifth-largest market for the United States' agricultural products; and

Whereas, the State of South Carolina and Taiwan have enjoyed long and mutually beneficial sister-state relations since 1981, with the prospect of further growth, and the State of South Carolina supports a free trade agreement between the United States and Taiwan; and

Whereas, Taiwan, as a leading manufacturer of information and technology products, is an indispensable provider in the global high-tech industry, and its peace and stability are vital to not only the economies of the Asian Pacific region but also the world economy; and

Whereas, Taiwan, as one of the most active contributing parties in disaster-relief efforts worldwide, is not represented in the United Nations, World Health Organization, and other important international organizations, a situation hindering the human rights of the twenty-three million inhabitants of Taiwan. Now, therefore,

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Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, by this resolution, commend Taiwan on its contributions to the global economy, such as the promotion of world peace, liberty, and human rights, and support Taiwan's efforts to join the United Nations, the World Health Organization, and other international organizations.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. R.C. Wu, Director General of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Atlanta.

The Resolution was adopted.

H. 3552--ADOPTED AND SENT TO SENATE

The following Concurrent Resolution was taken up:

H. 3552 -- Rep. Hayes: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 57 IN DILLON COUNTY FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 9 IN THE TOWN OF LITTLE ROCK TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH SECONDARY HIGHWAY S-17-192 "REPRESENTATIVE JEWELL P. MCLAURIN, JR. HIGHWAY" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS HIGHWAY THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS "REPRESENTATIVE JEWELL P. MCLAURIN, JR. HIGHWAY".

Whereas, the Honorable Jewell Pierce McLaurin, Jr., was born in Dillon County on February 25, 1916, the son of the late Jewell Pierce McLaurin, Sr., and Kate Braddy McLaurin. He died on April 11, 1997, in Dillon County at the age of eighty-one; and

Whereas, he was the grandson of Duncan McLaurin who was the City of Dillon's first mayor, postmaster, and chairman of the school board; and

Whereas, Mr. McLaurin was married to Julia Lane Wallace McLaurin of Dillon County, and was the father of one son and two daughters; and

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Whereas, he attended Davidson College from 1935 to 1936 and was an Air Force veteran of World War II, having served in Europe from 1942 to 1945; and

Whereas, after World War II, Mr. McLaurin returned to his hometown of Dillon where he became a farmer, landowner, public servant, and land developer; and

Whereas, he was a member of Main Street United Methodist Church where he was a member of the Men's Bible Class; and

Whereas, he was a four-term member of the Dillon City Council, Dillon County Magistrate, Probation Officer for Dillon and Marlboro Counties, and member of the South Carolina House of Representatives from 1953 until 1963; and

Whereas, it is fitting to pay tribute to this distinguished son of South Carolina by having a portion of highway in his native Dillon County named in his honor. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the General Assembly, by this resolution, request that the Department of Transportation name the portion of South Carolina Highway 57 in Dillon County from its intersection with United States Highway 9 in the Town of Little Rock to its intersection with secondary highway S17-192 "Representative Jewell P. McLaurin, Jr. Highway" and erect appropriate markers or signs along this highway that contain the words "Representative Jewell P. McLaurin, Jr. Highway".

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Transportation.

The Concurrent Resolution was adopted and sent to the Senate.

H. 3518--ADOPTED AND SENT TO SENATE

The following Concurrent Resolution was taken up:

H. 3518 -- Reps. Neilson, Lucas and Vick: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF SOUTH

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CAROLINA HIGHWAY 102 IN CHESTERFIELD COUNTY FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH THE CHESTERFIELD COUNTY/DARLINGTON COUNTY LINE TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH CHESTERFIELD COUNTY ROAD S1380 "JAMES THOMAS 'TOM' TEAL ROAD" AS A LASTING TRIBUTE TO THE HONORABLE JAMES THOMAS 'TOM' TEAL WHO SERVED AS CHESTERFIELD COUNTY MAGISTRATE FROM 1964 TO 1994, AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS PORTION OF HIGHWAY THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS "JAMES THOMAS 'TOM' TEAL ROAD".

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the General Assembly request that the Department of Transportation name the portion of South Carolina Highway 102 in Chesterfield County from its intersection with the Chesterfield County/Darlington County line to its intersection with Chesterfield County Road S1380 "James Thomas 'Tom' Teal Road" as a lasting tribute to the Honorable James Thomas 'Tom' Teal who served as Chesterfield County Magistrate from 1964 to 1994, and erect appropriate markers or signs along this portion of highway that contain the words "James Thomas 'Tom' Teal Road".

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Transportation.

The Concurrent Resolution was adopted and sent to the Senate.

H. 3596--ADOPTED AND SENT TO SENATE

The following Concurrent Resolution was taken up:

H. 3596 -- Reps. Talley, W. D. Smith, Davenport, F. N. Smith, Duncan, Leach, Bedingfield, Cato, Walker, Taylor, E. H. Pitts, Harrison, Anthony, Bannister, Haskins, Kelly, Littlejohn, Loftis, Mahaffey, Pinson, Shoopman and G. R. Smith: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE SELFLESSNESS AND BRAVERY OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES AND TO URGE THE SOUTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND ALL SOUTH CAROLINIANS TO SUPPORT OUR TROOPS AND OUR NATION'S LEADERSHIP IN THE WAR ON TERROR.

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Whereas, it is with great honor and respect that the South Carolina General Assembly pauses to recognize the immeasurable sacrifices that thousands of South Carolina's bravest citizens make every day to defend our freedom; and

Whereas, in a time when millions of our family members, friends, and neighbors risk their lives to protect those already in harm's way, it is imperative that this State and the nation support those who make decisions and those who execute them; and

Whereas, South Carolina and its citizens are leaders in this conflict as evidenced by the largest deployment of National Guardsmen in the State's history; and

Whereas, included among the deployed guardsmen are the esteemed Representative James Smith and Brian Pinson, son of South Carolina Representative Gene Pinson; and

Whereas, support of our troops necessitates support of our nation's leadership and requires a trust that President George W. Bush and his Cabinet are contemplating difficult decisions with great care in requesting a troop surge to protect those serving and to complete this mission. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, by this resolution, recognize the selflessness and bravery of the United States Armed Forces and to urge the South Carolina General Assembly and all South Carolinians to support our troops and our nation's leadership in the War on Terror.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the members of the South Carolina Congressional Delegation.

The Concurrent Resolution was adopted and sent to the Senate.

MOTION PERIOD

The motion period was dispensed with on motion of Rep. COOPER.

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**H. 3034--REQUEST FOR DEBATE, AMENDED AND
ORDERED TO THIRD READING**

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3034 -- Reps. Brady, Haskins, Cobb-Hunter, Cotty, Funderburk, Hagood, Stavrinakis, Gullick, Bowers, Whipper, Bales and Neilson: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 48-52-690 TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA ENERGY EFFICIENCY ACT SO AS TO REQUIRE THE APPLICATION OF "GREEN BUILDING" OR COMPARABLE STANDARDS TO STANDARDS OR MEASURES OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND ENERGY CONSERVATION TO BUILDINGS CONSTRUCTED ON STATE PROPERTY WITH CONSTRUCTION BUDGETS OF MORE THAN FIFTEEN MILLION DOLLARS AND TO PROVIDE EXEMPTIONS OF CERTAIN STATE-FUNDED STRUCTURES.

Rep. DUNCAN requested debate on the Bill.

Rep. LOFTIS proposed the following Amendment No. 2 (Doc Name COUNCIL\GGS\22762MM07), which was adopted:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by adding an appropriately numbered SECTION to read:

/ SECTION _____. This act does not alter existing state employment law as expressed in Chapter 7 of Title 41. A program referenced or otherwise addressed by this act that conflicts with Chapter 7 of Title 41 is prohibited by this act. /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. LOFTIS explained the amendment.

POINT OF ORDER

Rep. COBB-HUNTER raised the Point of Order that Amendment No 2 was out of order in that it was not germane to the Bill.

Rep. LOFTIS argued contra.

SPEAKER HARRELL stated the Bill, as previously amended by the Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee, mandated that standards and guidelines be met as required by the United States Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED). He

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stated that the amendment was germane the Bill and he overruled the Point of Order.

Rep. LOFTIS continued speaking.

Rep. DUNCAN moved to recommit the Bill to the Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry.

Rep. CATO moved to table the motion.

Rep. CATO demanded the yeas and nays which were taken, resulting as follows:

Yeas 56; Nays 47

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Agnew	Allen	Anderson
Bales	Ballentine	Bannister
Barfield	Battle	Bingham
Bowers	Brady	Branham
Brantley	Breeland	G. Brown
R. Brown	Cato	Ceips
Clemmons	Cobb-Hunter	Cooper
Edge	Frye	Funderburk
Govan	Haley	Hardwick
Harrell	Harrison	Hart
Haskins	Hayes	Hodges
Hosey	Howard	Huggins
Jefferson	Knight	Limehouse
Miller	Mitchell	J. H. Neal
Ott	Pinson	Rutherford
Scarborough	Scott	Sellers
Spires	Stavrinakis	Thompson
Vick	Viers	Whipper
Whitmire	Williams	

Total--56

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Those who voted in the negative are:

Anthony	Bedingfield	Bowen
Cotty	Crawford	Dantzler
Davenport	Delleney	Duncan
Gambrell	Gullick	Hamilton
Harvin	Hinson	Kelly
Kennedy	Kirsh	Leach
Littlejohn	Loftis	Lowe
Lucas	Mahaffey	Merrill
Moss	Mulvaney	J. M. Neal
Owens	Perry	Phillips
E. H. Pitts	Rice	Shoopman
Simrill	Skelton	D. C. Smith
G. R. Smith	J. R. Smith	Stewart
Talley	Taylor	Toole
Umphlett	Walker	Weeks
White	Young	

Total--47

So, the motion to recommit the Bill was tabled.

The amendment was then adopted.

Rep. CATO explained the Bill.

Rep. DUNCAN spoke upon the Bill.

Rep. BRADY spoke in favor of the Bill.

Pursuant to Rule 7.7 the Yeas and Nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 78; Nays 30

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Agnew	Allen	Anderson
Bales	Ballentine	Bannister
Battle	Bingham	Bowen
Bowers	Brady	Branham
Brantley	Breeland	G. Brown
R. Brown	Cato	Ceips
Chalk	Chellis	Clemmons

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Cobb-Hunter	Cooper	Cotty
Crawford	Edge	Frye
Funderburk	Govan	Gullick
Haley	Hardwick	Harrell
Harrison	Hart	Haskins
Hayes	Herbkersman	Hodges
Hosey	Howard	Huggins
Jefferson	Kennedy	Knight
Leach	Limehouse	Loftis
Lowe	Mahaffey	McLeod
Miller	Mitchell	Moss
Mulvaney	J. H. Neal	J. M. Neal
Ott	Perry	Phillips
Pinson	E. H. Pitts	Rutherford
Sandifer	Scarborough	Scott
Sellers	Spires	Stavrinakis
Taylor	Thompson	Toole
Vick	Viers	Weeks
Whipper	Whitmire	Williams

Total--78

Those who voted in the negative are:

Anthony	Barfield	Bedingfield
Dantzler	Davenport	Delleney
Duncan	Gambrell	Hamilton
Harvin	Hinson	Kelly
Kirsh	Littlejohn	Lucas
Merrill	Owens	Rice
Shoopman	Simrill	D. C. Smith
G. R. Smith	J. R. Smith	Stewart
Talley	Umphlett	Walker
White	Witherspoon	Young

Total--30

So, the Bill, as amended, was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

RECORD FOR VOTING

I was temporarily out of the Chamber during the vote on H. 3034. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" in favor of the Bill.

Rep. Ben Hagood

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H. 3212--ORDERED TO THIRD READING

The following Bill was taken up:

H. 3212 -- Reps. Delleney, M. A. Pitts, Haley, Crawford, Chellis, G. R. Smith, Owens, Rice, Weeks, Viers, Simrill, Bedingfield, Vick, Duncan, Mulvaney, Stavrinakis, Clemmons and Young: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 23-31-215, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF CONCEALABLE WEAPONS PERMITS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT VALID OUT-OF-STATE PERMITS TO CARRY CONCEALABLE WEAPONS HELD BY A RESIDENT OF ANOTHER STATE MUST BE HONORED BY THIS STATE AND TO DELETE THE PROVISION THAT THIS STATE WILL ONLY HONOR OUT-OF-STATE PERMITS ISSUED BY A STATE WITH WHICH SOUTH CAROLINA HAS RECIPROCITY.

Rep. SCOTT proposed the following Amendment No. 1 (Doc Name COUNCIL\BBM\9826SSP07), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking SECTION 1 and inserting:

/ SECTION 1. Section 23-31-215(N) of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 347 of 2006, is further amended to read:

“(N) Valid out-of-state permits to carry concealable weapons held by a resident of ~~a reciprocal~~ another state must be honored by this State if the permit issuance standards to carry a concealable weapon in the other state are equal to or greater than the standards for this State. SLED shall make a determination as to those states which have permit issuance standards equal to or greater than the standards contained in this article and shall maintain and publish a list of those states as the states with which South Carolina has reciprocity.” /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. SCOTT explained the amendment.

Rep. SCOTT spoke in favor of the amendment.

Rep. OTT spoke against the amendment.

Rep. DELLENEY moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

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Rep. KIRSH proposed the following Amendment No. 2 (Doc Name COUNCIL\GJK\20161SD07), which was tabled:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, Section 23-31-215(N) as contained in SECTION 1, by deleting lines 28 through 34 and inserting:

/ “(N) Valid out-of-state permits to carry concealable weapons held by a resident of ~~a reciprocal~~ another state that requires its permittees to pass a criminal background check must be honored by this State. ~~SLED shall make a determination as to those states which have permit issuance standards equal to or greater than the standards contained in this article and shall maintain and publish a list of those states as the states with which South Carolina has reciprocity.~~” /

Renumber sections to conform.

Amend title to conform.

Rep. KIRSH explained the amendment.

Rep. DELLENEY moved to table the amendment, which was agreed to.

Pursuant to Rule 7.7 the Yeas and Nays were taken resulting as follows:

Yeas 100; Nays 2

Those who voted in the affirmative are:

Agnew	Allen	Anderson
Anthony	Bales	Ballentine
Bannister	Barfield	Battle
Bedingfield	Bingham	Bowen
Bowers	Brady	Branham
Brantley	G. Brown	Cato
Ceips	Chalk	Chellis
Clemmons	Cooper	Cotty
Crawford	Dantzler	Davenport
Delleney	Duncan	Edge
Frye	Funderburk	Gambrell
Gullick	Haley	Hamilton
Hardwick	Harrell	Harrison
Haskins	Hayes	Herbkersman
Hinson	Hodges	Hosey
Huggins	Jefferson	Kelly

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Kennedy	Kirsh	Knight
Leach	Limehouse	Littlejohn
Loftis	Lowe	Lucas
Mahaffey	McLeod	Merrill
Mitchell	Moss	Mulvaney
J. H. Neal	J. M. Neal	Neilson
Ott	Owens	Perry
Phillips	Pinson	E. H. Pitts
Rice	Rutherford	Sandifer
Scarborough	Sellers	Shoopman
Simrill	Skelton	D. C. Smith
G. R. Smith	J. R. Smith	Spires
Stavrinakis	Stewart	Talley
Taylor	Thompson	Toole
Umphlett	Vick	Viers
Walker	Weeks	White
Whitmire	Williams	Witherspoon
Young		

Total--100

Those who voted in the negative are:

Hart Scott

Total--2

So, the Bill was read the second time and ordered to third reading.

RECORD FOR VOTING

I was temporarily out of the Chamber during the vote on H. 3212.
Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" in favor of the Bill.

Rep. Ben Hagood

**H. 3212--ORDERED TO BE READ THIRD TIME
TOMORROW**

On motion of Rep. WHITE, with unanimous consent, it was ordered
that H. 3212 be read the third time tomorrow.

RECURRENCE TO THE MORNING HOUR

Rep. SELLERS moved that the House recur to the Morning Hour,
which was agreed to.

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Rep. WALKER, from the Committee on Education and Public Works, submitted a favorable report with amendments on:

H. 3175 -- Reps. Walker, Cotty, Harrell, Bales, Owens, Rice and D. C. Smith: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY DESIGNATING SECTION 59-35-10 AS ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 35, TITLE 59, ENTITLED "KINDERGARTENS", AND BY ADDING ARTICLE 3 TO CHAPTER 35 OF TITLE 59 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA CHILD DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR AT-RISK CHILDREN, TO DEFINE CERTAIN TERMS, TO PROVIDE AN ORDER OF PRIORITY IN WHICH AT-RISK CHILDREN MUST BE SERVED, TO PROVIDE ENROLLMENT AND THE ENROLLMENT APPLICATION PROCESS TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF FIRST STEPS TO SCHOOL READINESS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DUTIES OF PROGRAM PROVIDERS, TO PROVIDE THE DUTIES OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, THE OFFICE OF FIRST STEPS TO SCHOOL READINESS, AND THE EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, TO PROVIDE THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR TEACHERS IN THE PROGRAM AND PROVIDE FOR PERSONNEL INSTRUCTION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, TO PROVIDE FOR TRANSPORTATION OF CHILDREN TO AND FROM SCHOOL, TO PROVIDE THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE OF FIRST STEPS TO SCHOOL READINESS TO PRIVATE PROVIDERS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO PUBLIC PROVIDERS, TO PROVIDE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE SOUTH CAROLINA CHILD DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPROVAL OF GRANTS FOR PRIVATE PROVIDERS, TO PROVIDE THE DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES IN REGARD TO THE PROGRAM, AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EVALUATION OF THE PROGRAM BY THE EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

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Rep. WALKER for the Committee on Education and Public Works, submitted a favorable report with amendments.

Rep. MULVANEY for the minority, submitted an unfavorable report on:

H. 3161 -- Reps. Walker, Mahaffey, Herbkersman and Cotty: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-67-105 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE MAXIMUM SCHOOL BUS RIDE TIME OF EACH STUDENT AND ROUTING EFFICIENCY FOR EACH SCHOOL BUS; BY ADDING SECTION 59-67-108 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR REQUIRED SCHOOL BUS DRIVER CERTIFICATION TRAINING; BY ADDING SECTION 59-67-415 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT PARENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY, CONDUCT, AND TIMELY ARRIVAL OF THEIR CHILDREN TO, FROM, AND AT THE SCHOOL BUS STOP; TO AMEND SECTION 59-67-100, RELATING TO SCHOOL BUS SEATING SPACE AND STUDENTS ASSIGNED TO A SCHOOL BUS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS ASSIGNED TO A SCHOOL BUS MUST NOT BE GREATER THAN THE MANUFACTURER CERTIFIED SEATING CAPACITY AND PROVIDE THAT ALL PASSENGERS TRANSPORTED MUST HAVE ADEQUATE SEATING AREA TO COMPLY WITH CERTAIN STANDARDS; TO AMEND SECTION 59-67-270, RELATING TO INSPECTION OF BUSES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT SCHOOL BUSES MUST BE INSPECTED AT LEAST ONCE ANNUALLY; AND TO AMEND SECTION 59-67-420, RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION TO BE PROVIDED TO STUDENTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE SHALL BEAR THE COST OF TRANSPORTING STUDENTS WHEN THE TRANSPORTATION IS AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW OR REGULATION, PROVIDE THAT THE STATE MAY ASSUME THE RESPONSIBILITY OF TRANSPORTING STUDENTS WHO LIVE WITHIN A CERTAIN DISTANCE OF THE SCHOOL WHEN HAZARDOUS TRAFFIC CONDITIONS ARE INVOLVED, PROVIDE THAT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL ESTABLISH HAZARDOUS TRAFFIC CRITERIA, PROVIDE FOR HAZARDOUS TRAFFIC FUNDS, PROVIDE THAT THE STATE SHALL PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM THE RESIDENCE OF EACH UNESCORTED STUDENT PURSUANT

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TO CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES AND DEFINE UNESCORTED STUDENT.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

Rep. LEACH, from the Committee on Invitations and Memorial Resolutions, submitted a favorable report on:

S. 507 -- Senators Knotts, Alexander, Anderson, Bryant, Campsen, Cleary, Courson, Cromer, Drummond, Elliott, Fair, Ford, Gregory, Grooms, Hawkins, Hayes, Hutto, Jackson, Land, Leatherman, Leventis, Lourie, Malloy, Martin, Matthews, McConnell, McGill, Mescher, Moore, O'Dell, Patterson, Peeler, Pinckney, Rankin, Reese, Ritchie, Ryberg, Scott, Setzler, Sheheen, Short, Thomas, Vaughn, Verdin and Williams: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO FACILITATE THE CHANGE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE RULE OR POLICY NECESSARY TO PROVIDE FOR PAID TRANSPORTATION FOR THE 218TH BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM AND FOR OTHER SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL GUARDSMEN HOME TO SOUTH CAROLINA AND BACK TO THEIR TRAINING SITES BEFORE THEIR DEPARTURES TO A COMBAT ZONE.

Ordered for consideration tomorrow.

HOUSE RESOLUTION

The following was introduced:

H. 3625 -- Reps. Sandifer, Agnew, Alexander, Allen, Anderson, Anthony, Bales, Ballentine, Bannister, Barfield, Battle, Bedingfield, Bingham, Bowen, Bowers, Brady, Branham, Brantley, Breeland, G. Brown, R. Brown, Cato, Ceips, Chalk, Chellis, Clemmons, Clyburn, Cobb-Hunter, Coleman, Cooper, Cotty, Crawford, Dantzler, Davenport, Delleney, Duncan, Edge, Frye, Funderburk, Gambrell, Govan, Gullick, Hagood, Haley, Hamilton, Hardwick, Harrell, Harrison, Hart, Harvin, Haskins, Hayes, Herbkersman, Hinson, Hiott, Hodges, Hosey, Howard, Huggins, Jefferson, Jennings, Kelly, Kennedy, Kirsh, Knight, Leach, Limehouse, Littlejohn, Loftis, Lowe, Lucas, Mack, Mahaffey, McLeod, Merrill, Miller, Mitchell, Moody-Lawrence, Moss, Mulvaney, J. H. Neal, J. M. Neal, Neilson, Ott, Owens, Parks, Perry, Phillips, Pinson, E. H. Pitts, M. A. Pitts, Rice,

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Rutherford, Scarborough, Scott, Sellers, Shoopman, Simrill, Skelton, D. C. Smith, F. N. Smith, G. M. Smith, G. R. Smith, J. E. Smith, J. R. Smith, W. D. Smith, Spires, Stavrinakis, Stewart, Talley, Taylor, Thompson, Toole, Umphlett, Vick, Viers, Walker, Weeks, Whipper, White, Whitmire, Williams, Witherspoon and Young: A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND MISS SOUTH CAROLINA 2006, SHELLEY BRYSON BENTHALL, FOR HER HARD WORK, DISCIPLINE, TALENT, AMBITION, AND HER EXCELLENT AMBASSADORSHIP FOR THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND HER HOME COUNTY.

The Resolution was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following Bills and Joint Resolution were introduced, read the first time, and referred to appropriate committees:

H. 3626 -- Reps. Vick, Agnew, Allen, Anthony, Bales, Barfield, Battle, Bowers, Breeland, G. Brown, R. Brown, Cobb-Hunter, Coleman, Edge, Funderburk, Hardwick, Harrell, Hart, Hayes, Hodges, Howard, Jefferson, Jennings, Knight, Littlejohn, Mack, Miller, Mitchell, Moss, J.M. Neal, Ott, Parks, Perry, M.A. Pitts, Rice, Scott, W.D. Smith, Toole, Viers and Witherspoon: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ENACTING THE "ANN S. PERDUE HEART PATIENT SAFETY ACT" SO AS TO ADD SECTION 44-7-285 TO PROVIDE THAT A HOSPITAL PROVIDING THERAPEUTIC HEART CATHETERIZATIONS MUST HAVE A CARDIOLOGIST ON SITE AT ALL TIMES; TO ADD SECTION 44-7-295 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A HOSPITAL PROVIDING THERAPEUTIC HEART CATHETERIZATIONS MAY ONLY DIRECTLY EMPLOY NURSING PERSONNEL AND THAT BY JANUARY 1, 2009, THESE HOSPITALS MAY NOT EMPLOY CONTRACT NURSING PERSONNEL; TO ADD SECTION 44-7-730 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IF A PERSON DIES IN A HOSPITAL, THE HOSPITAL MUST OFFER IN WRITING TO THE PATIENT'S FAMILY THE RIGHT TO HAVE AN AUTOPSY PERFORMED AND IF THE FAMILY ELECTS TO HAVE THE AUTOPSY PERFORMED, IT MUST BE PERFORMED BY A PATHOLOGIST WHO IS NOT AFFILIATED WITH THE HOSPITAL; AND TO AMEND SECTION 17-5-530, RELATING TO CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRING THE

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CORONER OR MEDICAL EXAMINER TO BE NOTIFIED OF CERTAIN DEATHS, SO AS TO REQUIRE SUCH NOTIFICATION WHEN A PERSON DIES IN A HEALTH CARE FACILITY WITHIN TWENTY FOUR HOURS OF HAVING AN INVASIVE PROCEDURE PERFORMED.

Referred to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs

H. 3627 -- Reps. Gullick, Mulvaney, Breeland, Scarborough and Stavrinakis: A BILL TO AMEND SECTIONS 11-11-155 AND 11-11-156, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FUND AND THE MANNER IN WHICH THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THE STATE RECEIVE REVENUES FROM THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FUND, SO AS TO CLARIFY THE METHOD OF DETERMINING AND CALCULATING THESE PAYMENTS AND PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL REIMBURSEMENT ADJUSTMENT BASED ON STATEWIDE POPULATION GROWTH TO INSTEAD BE BASED ON SCHOOL DISTRICT POPULATION GROWTH WITH A "HOLD HARMLESS" PROVISION, PROVIDING THE SCHEDULE OF THE PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS, SPECIFYING THE SOURCE OF THE TWO AND ONE-HALF MILLION DOLLAR MINIMUM PAYMENT TO A COUNTY FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THE COUNTY, AND SPECIFYING WHEN A REMAINING BALANCE IN THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FUND IS REMITTED TO COUNTIES FOR PURPOSES OF THE COUNTY OPERATING MILLAGE PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR OWNER-OCCUPIED RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

H. 3628 -- Education and Public Works Committee: A JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, RELATING TO AT-RISK STUDENTS, DESIGNATED AS REGULATION DOCUMENT NUMBER 3089, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 23, TITLE 1 OF THE 1976 CODE.

Without Reference

H. 3629 -- Reps. Sandifer, Parks, Breeland, Cobb-Hunter and Harrison: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 40-19-200, RELATING TO PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING REGULATIONS OF EMBALMERS

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AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS, SO AS TO INCREASE THE MINIMUM FINE TO ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM FINE TO FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Referred to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs

H. 3630 -- Reps. Umphlett, Dantzler, Davenport, Jefferson and Littlejohn: A BILL TO AMEND SECTIONS 9-1-1140 AND 9-11-50, BOTH AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO ESTABLISHING SERVICE CREDIT IN THE SOUTH CAROLINA RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE SOUTH CAROLINA POLICE OFFICERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE PAYMENTS REQUIRED TO PURCHASE SUCH CREDIT, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IN THE CASE OF STATE EMPLOYEES, AN EMPLOYER MAY NOT PAY FOR ANY PART OF THE COST FOR THE STATE EMPLOYEE'S PURCHASE OF SERVICE CREDIT EXCEPT WHEN SUCH PAYMENTS ARE PURSUANT TO A RETIREMENT INCENTIVE PLAN OR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A REDUCTION IN FORCE IN WHICH SUCH PAYMENTS ARE OFFERED TO ALL SIMILARLY SITUATED AGENCY EMPLOYEES.

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

H. 3631 -- Reps. Chalk, Bales, Brantley, Littlejohn, Moss and Neilson: A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 40-33-32, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO NURSING LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS, SO AS TO REVISE THE TYPE OF DOCUMENT THAT MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR PROOF OF IDENTITY AND AGE; TO AMEND SECTION 40-33-34, RELATING TO THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE AUTHORIZED FOR VARIOUS LEVELS OF NURSING AND REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN SPECIFIED ACTS OF NURSING, SO AS TO CLARIFY INFORMATION THAT MUST BE PROVIDED BY NURSES WITH PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY WHEN WRITING PRESCRIPTIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 40-33-35, RELATING TO LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR OUT-OF-STATE NURSES, SO AS TO REVISE THE TYPE OF DOCUMENT THAT MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR PROOF OF IDENTITY AND AGE AND TO CLARIFY THAT CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS APPLY TO LICENSURE TO PRACTICE AS AN

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ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE; TO AMEND SECTION 40-33-36, RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF NURSING LICENSES, INCLUDING REQUIREMENTS FOR TEMPORARY AND LIMITED LICENSES, SO AS TO ALSO APPLY THESE REQUIREMENTS TO TEMPORARY AND LIMITED LICENSES OF ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40-33-40, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR DEMONSTRATING COMPETENCY FOR INITIAL AND RENEWAL LICENSURE, SO AS TO CLARIFY CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS AND TO APPLY CERTAIN OF THESE REQUIREMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS SEEKING REINSTATEMENT OF A LAPSED OR INACTIVE STATUS AND TO LICENSURE OF A PERSON WHO IS AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE OUT-OF-STATE.

Referred to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs

H. 3632 -- Reps. Chalk, Haskins, Brantley, Bales, Harvin, Jefferson, Littlejohn, Mahaffey, Moss, Neilson, J. R. Smith and Whipper: A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 40-33-25 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION MAY REQUIRE A CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECK OF AN APPLICANT FOR LICENSURE TO PRACTICE NURSING AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT MAY REQUIRE SUCH A BACKGROUND CHECK IN CONNECTION WITH AN INVESTIGATION OR DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDING OF A LICENSEE.

Referred to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs

Rep. TOOLE moved that the House do now adjourn, which was agreed to.

RETURNED WITH CONCURRENCE

The Senate returned to the House with concurrence the following:

H. 3581 -- Reps. Clyburn, Pinson, Parks and M. A. Pitts: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO COMMEND THE TALENTED ARTISANS OF EDGEFIELD POTTERY FOR THEIR

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OUTSTANDING WORK IN BRINGING EXCEPTIONAL POTTERY PIECES TO THE CITIZENS OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

H. 3586 -- Rep. G. R. Smith: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE MR. WARREN TAYLOR, OF SIMPSONVILLE, UPON THE CELEBRATION OF FIFTY YEARS OF SERVICE AS A JEWELER, AND TO COMMEND HIM FOR HIS OUTSTANDING WORK AND DEDICATION TO HIS CRAFT.

H. 3600 -- Rep. Mitchell: A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO COMMEND AND THANK GLENICE B. PEARSON FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO SOUTH CAROLINA'S NONPROFIT CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS AND HER AUTHORSHIP OF THE OFFICIAL STATE MANUAL FOR THESE ORGANIZATIONS.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:42 p.m. the House, in accordance with the motion of Rep. BANNISTER, adjourned in memory of Vardry Ramseur of Greenville, to meet at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow.

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